GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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AYURVEDIC TREATMENT
PRABHAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to promote Ayurvedic treatment in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government also propose to set up Ayurvedic hospitals/dispensaries in each State;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether his Ministry has made any plan to provide funds to each State for the infrastructure facility and construction of building for Ayurvedic hospitals/dispensaries during the current year;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the steps taken/proposed to be taken to promote Ayurvedic treatment?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) The Government is taking steps to ensure proper training of physicians with adequate clinical exposure; quality and efficacy of drugs according to pharmacopoeial standards, clinical trials of drugs; involvement of Ayurveda in Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) Programme and opening of speciality clinics of Ayurveda in modern hospitals. These will help in the promotion of Ayurvedic treatment.

(b) to (c): The opening of Ayurvedic hospitals/dispensaries is the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territory Administration and they take the decision keeping in view the felt needs of the people of the area and the availability of funds.

(d) to (f): There is no such plan. However, this Ministry has scheme to assist the Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy colleges for capital works and purchase of equipment.